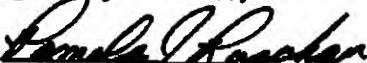


**REMARKS**

Claims 1-4, 6-27, and 28-30 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 2, 7, 9, 12, 19, and 23 have been amended herein to more clearly define and describe the invention. The claims also include the amendments as set forth in the Examiner's amendment attached to the Notice of Allowability mailed January 28, 2003. No new matter has been introduced by way of these amendments. A submission of corrected formal drawings identifying FIGS. 1(a), (b), and (c) as "Prior Art" is being filed separately.

The application is considered in good form for allowance. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

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